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Applicants:	Richard E. KESSLER et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	8266
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Serial No.:	10/691,744	§	Group Art Unit:	2113
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Filed:	10/23/2003	§	Examiner:	Emerson C. Puente
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For:	Fault Containment And	§	Docket No.:	200301781-2
	Error Recovery In A	§		
	Scalable Multiprocessor	§		

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Date: July 24, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of April 26, 2006, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.